



Please consider the following amendments and remarks in response to the Office Action mailed on April 4, 2003. Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims commencing on page 2. Amendments to the drawings begin on page 5 of this paper and include attached replacement sheets. Remarks and arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: C. C. Cheng, et al.

Attorney Docket No.: 01-695/LSI1P184

Application No.: 09/996,118

Examiner: Rao, S. H.

Filed: 27 November 2001

Group: 2814

Title: Low Resistance Metal Interconnect Lines
And A Process For Fabricating Them

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

	Claims After Amendment		Highest Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Small Entity Rate Fee	Large Entity Rate Fee
Total Claims	16	MINUS	20	0	x 9 = 0	x 18 = 0
Independent Claims	2	MINUS	3	0	x 42 = 0	x 84 = 0
Multiple Dependent Claim Present and Fee Not Previously Paid					\$140.00	\$280.00
Total					\$	\$



Applicant(s) believe that no (additional) Extension of Time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicant(s) hereby petition that such an extension be granted and authorize the Commissioner to charge the required fees for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136 to Deposit Account No. 12-2252 (Order No. 01-695/LSI1P184).



Please charge the required fees, or any additional fees required to facilitate filing the enclosed response, to Deposit Account No. 12-2252 (Order No. 01-695/LSI1P184).

Respectfully submitted,
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